

First Regular Session 111th General Assembly (1999)

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HOUSE ENROLLED ACT No. 1150

AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning courts and court officers.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999] (a) As used in this SECTION, "committee" refers to the public officers compensation study committee established by subsection (c).

(b) As used in this SECTION, "public officer" refers to any of the following:

- (1) A member of the general assembly.
- (2) The governor.
- (3) The lieutenant governor.
- (4) The secretary of state.
- (5) The auditor of state.
- (6) The treasurer of state.
- (7) The attorney general.
- (8) The clerk of the supreme court.
- (9) The superintendent of public instruction.
- (10) A justice of the supreme court of Indiana.
- (11) A judge of the court of appeals of Indiana.
- (12) A judge of the Indiana tax court.
- (13) A judge of a circuit, superior, or county court.

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(c) The committee is established to study whether to establish by statute a permanent executive commission with the authority to do the following:

- (1) Receive information relating to the salaries of public officers.
- (2) Consider recommendations for appropriate salaries for public officers.
- (3) Take testimony relating to the salaries of public officers.
- (4) Adopt, if necessary, proposed rules to set the salaries of any public officers.
- (5) Adopt, if necessary, proposed rules to govern the proceedings of the commission.

(d) In considering whether to establish a permanent executive commission for the purpose of carrying out the responsibilities described in subsection (c), the committee shall consider the provisions contained in the introduced version of House Bill 1647, as introduced in the first regular session of the 111th general assembly, with respect to the implementation of the commission.

(e) The committee may study other topics assigned by the legislative council or as directed by the committee chair.

(f) The committee consists of eleven (11) members appointed as follows:

- (1) Four (4) members of the senate, not more than two (2) of whom may be affiliated with the same political party, to be appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate.
- (2) Four (4) members of the house of representatives, not more than two (2) of whom may be affiliated with the same political party, to be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.
- (3) Three (3) members to be appointed by the governor.

(g) The chairman of the legislative council shall appoint a legislative member of the committee to serve as chair of the committee. Whenever there is a new chairman of the legislative council, the new chairman may remove the chair of the committee and appoint another chair.

(h) If a legislative member of the committee ceases to be a member of the chamber from which the member was appointed, the member also ceases to be a member of the committee.

(i) A legislative member of the committee may be removed at any time by the appointing authority who appointed the legislative member.

(j) If a vacancy exists on the committee, the appointing



authority who appointed the former member whose position is vacant shall appoint an individual to fill the vacancy.

(k) The committee shall submit a final report of the results of its study to the legislative council before November 1, 1999.

(l) The legislative services agency shall provide staff support to the committee.

(m) Each member of the committee is entitled to receive the same per diem, mileage, and travel allowances paid to individuals who serve as legislative and lay members, respectively, of interim study committees established by the legislative council.

(n) The affirmative votes of a majority of the members appointed to the committee are required for the committee to take action on any measure, including the final report.

(o) This SECTION expires December 31, 1999.

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